

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Establish  
Policies and Rules to Ensure Reliable, Long-Term  
Supplies of Natural Gas to California.

Rulemaking 04-01-025  
(Filed January 22, 2004)

**ASSIGNED COMMISSIONERS' RULING  
REGARDING POSTPONEMENT OF WORKSHOP**

On November 4, 2004, an Administrative Law Judges' ruling was issued in this proceeding which noticed a workshop for December 8 and December 9, 2004. The workshop is to address natural gas quality and related specifications. The workshop is a collaborative effort by the California Public Utilities Commission, the California Energy Commission's Integrated Energy Policy Report Committee, the California Air Resources Board, and the California Department of Conservation – Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources.

The four agencies received three letters from various entities interested in participating in the workshop. Copies of the letters were served on the service list of this proceeding. All three letters request that the workshop be postponed to late January 2005 or early February 2005 because various reports relevant to natural gas quality and specifications are being prepared by various groups and should be available in December 2004 and January 2005.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> In its letter BHP Billiton International, Inc. requests that the anticipated final "LNG Research Study" and the final "Natural Gas Council" report on gas interchangeability

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Representatives from all four of the collaborating agencies have met and agreed to postpone the workshop. The new dates for the workshop have not yet been decided. When the new dates for the workshop have been selected, a ruling will issue notifying the service list to this proceeding of the new workshop dates and the applicable schedule.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. The workshop on natural gas quality specifications, which is currently scheduled for December 8 and December 9, 2004 in San Francisco, shall be postponed to late January or early February 2005.
2. A ruling notifying the service list of the new workshop dates and the applicable schedule will be issued in the near future.

Dated November 16, 2004, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MICHAEL R. PEEVEY  
Michael R. Peevey  
Assigned Commissioner

/s/ SUSAN P. KENNEDY  
Susan P. Kennedy  
Assigned Commissioner

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be distributed to interested persons, and that interested parties have 15 days to review the reports prior to the workshop. This request will be addressed in the ruling noticing the new workshop dates and schedule.

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Assigned Commissioners' Ruling Regarding Postponement of Workshop on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated November 16, 2004, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO

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